

CAMPAIGN FINANCE DIVISION

☒ **WAIVER REQUEST**
☐ **RECONSIDERATION REQUEST**

DATE: 7/26/2021
DOCKET #:

FILER INFORMATION

Name: Betty Alford-Olive
Office: Mayor, City of Bastrop
Parish: MOREHOUSE
Election Date: 3/20/2021
Level of Office: Any

REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: 10-G
Original Due Date: 4/14/2021
Date Filed: 4/15/2021
Activity Receipts: \$6,015.00
Expenditures: \$3,808.60
Funds at Close of Reporting Period: \$4,287.61

LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$40
Days Late: 1
Late Fee Order Received: 5/24/2021
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 6/13/2021
Waiver Request Received: 6/3/2021
Additional Information Requested:

- Medical
- Financial
- Other

COMMENTS: Candidate faxed in waiver request and states that campaigning in the midst of this pandemic posted a unique set of circumstances along with limited staff to execute duties. She said she had to complete the report while campaigning and found herself somewhat overwhelmed. She said she tried to get the report on time but found a mathematical error that she spent time trying to correct.

OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

Campaign Finance:

Other Outstanding Reports: No
Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: No
Reassessed Late Fees: No

Disclosure Statements:

Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: No

Betty Alford-Olive
1402 Bowman Street
Bastrop, 71220

May 4, 2021

Attention Louisiana Board of Ethics
P.O. Box 4368
Baton Rouge, LA 70821

To the Board of Ethics:

RE: One Date Late fee Betty Alford-Olive 10-P March 20, 2021

Please accept this letter as my formal request for a waiver for the one-day late fee assessed fee to my campaign report.

I have always done my best to file my reports in a timely manner. Campaigning in the midst of this pandemics posed a unique set of circumstances along with limited staff to execute duties. It is difficult to hand over completing a report to someone else as my support team was not accustomed to completing this type document. I, therefore, had to complete these report while campaigning and found myself somewhat overwhelmed with all the tasks at hand. I made a good faith effort to get the report in on time, but found a mathematical error that I spent time trying to correct. I ask for your consideration to waiver the late fee.

Your consideration to this request would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Betty Alford-Olive



STATE OF LOUISIANA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE CIVIL SERVICE
LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS

P. O. BOX 4368
BATON ROUGE, LA 70821
(225) 219-5600
FAX: (225) 381-7271
1-800-842-6630
www.ethics.la.gov

April 27, 2021

Betty Alford-Olive
1402 Bowman St.
Bastrop, LA 71220-5606

CERTIFIED MAIL

NO. 70202450000010754236

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

RE: Late fee assessment for the March 20, 2021 Election
10-P Campaign Finance Disclosure Report filed 1 day late

Dear Betty Alford-Olive:

Enclosed is an assessment of a late fee pursuant to La R.S. 18:1505.4 and La. R.S. 18:1511.4.1. Please submit a check or money order in the amount of \$40 payable to the Treasurer of the State of Louisiana to P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821. **Please note that late fees can only be paid by the candidate or by his campaign.**

You have 20 days from receipt of this letter to dispute this assessment. You may elect to do either or both of the following:

1. You may submit your request for a waiver to the attention of the Louisiana Board of Ethics.

Waivers are handled by the Ethics Board. The Board of Ethics may reduce, suspend, or decline to waive a late fee assessment based on the cause shown by the person, candidate, or political committee. If you submit a request for a waiver of the late fee to the Board of Ethics, your request should contain details as to why, in your opinion, you have good cause why your report was not timely filed. Also, if you would like to appear before the Board of Ethics in connection with your request, you should state that in your letter. The request should be submitted to the attention of the Board of Ethics at the following address: P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 or fax at (225) 381-7271.

2. You may appeal the assessment directly to the Ethics Adjudicatory Board (EAB).

Appeals to the EAB are proceedings before a three judge panel. The determination is made regarding whether the person, candidate, or political committee was required to file the report and whether the report was filed late. **Mitigating factors are not considered during an EAB proceeding. The EAB does not have the authority to reduce, suspend, or waive a late fee assessment.** If you choose to appeal the assessment to the EAB, you should submit your request for an appeal to the attention of the Executive Secretary of the Louisiana Board of Ethics at P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 or fax at (225) 381-7271.

If you timely submit a waiver request or appeal, your name will not be posted on the website pending the result of your appeal. Furthermore, if you request an appearance, you will be notified of the place and time prior to the meeting.

If you do not pay or dispute the assessment of the late fee within 20 days from the receipt of this letter, the matter will be forwarded to the Attorney General's Office to pursue collection. If the matter is forwarded to the Attorney General's Office for collection, you may be responsible for all additional costs incurred. Additionally, late fees not paid by the due date will be posted on the agency website.

You should be aware that unpaid campaign finance fines, fees or penalties may have an adverse effect on your ability to run for public office in the future, as the Board of Ethics will object to your future qualifications for candidacy for public office pursuant to La. R.S. 18:491 and R.S. 18:492.

Sincerely,

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS

Melissa Horn

STATE OF LOUISIANA LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS
acting in its capacity as the
SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE ON CAMPAIGN FINANCE DISCLOSURE

In Re: Betty Alford-Olive
March 20, 2021 Election

LATE FEE ASSESSMENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Betty Alford-Olive, in her capacity as a candidate for Mayor, City of Bastrop in the March 20, 2021 election was required to file campaign finance reports pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1484.

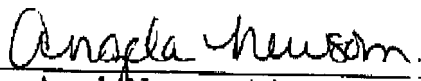
WHEREAS, La. R.S. 18:1505.1 provides that it is a violation of the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act to fail to timely file campaign finance reports.

WHEREAS, in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1495.4B(4), Betty Alford-Olive was required to file a 10th Day Prior to Primary Report (10-P) by March 10, 2021. Betty Alford-Olive filed the report on March 11, 2021 and was 1 day late.

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(2)(a)(iii) provides that an automatic late fee of \$40 per day (not to exceed \$1,000) be assessed against Betty Alford-Olive for this late filing.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED that a late fee of \$40 is assessed against Betty Alford-Olive for failure to timely file her campaign finance disclosure report.

ORDER signed on the 27th day of April 2021 at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.



Angela Newsom, Director
Campaign Finance & Lobbying Division



Unknown @Port 9100

05/04/2021 2:19 PM

Start Page

Xerox® VersaLink™ B405DN Multifunction Printer

Betty Alford-Olive
1402 Bowman Street
Bastrop, 71220

June 3, 2021

Attention Louisiana Board of Ethics
P.O. Box 4368
Baton Rouge, LA 70821

To the Board of Ethics:

RE: One Date Late fee Betty Alford-Olive 10-P March 20, 2021
Report due on 4/ 14/21 filed on 4/15/21
Report due on 3/30/21 filed on 3/31/21

Certified Letters: 70200090000057840617
70202450000010754236
70200090000057840600

Please accept this letter as my formal request for a waiver for the one-day late fee assessed fee to my campaign report.

I have always done my best to file my reports in a timely manner. Campaigning in the midst of this pandemic posed a unique set of circumstances along with limited staff to execute duties. It is difficult to hand over completing a report to someone else as my support team was not accustomed to completing this type document. I, therefore, had to complete these reports while campaigning and found myself somewhat overwhelmed with all the tasks at hand. I made a good faith effort to get the report in on time, but found a mathematical error that I spent time trying to correct. I ask for your consideration to waive the late fee.

Your consideration to this request would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Alford-Olive".

Betty Alford-Olive



STATE OF LOUISIANA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE CIVIL SERVICE
LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS
P. O. BOX 4368
BATON ROUGE, LA 70821
(225) 219-5600
FAX: (225) 381-7271
1-800-842-6630
www.ethics.la.gov

May 20, 2021

Betty Alford-Olive
1402 Bowman St.
Bastrop, LA 71220-5606

CERTIFIED MAIL

NO. 70200090000057840600

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

RE: Late fee assessment for the March 20, 2021 Election
EDE-P Campaign Finance Disclosure Report filed 1 day late

Dear Betty Alford-Olive:

Enclosed is an assessment of a late fee pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1505.4 and La. R.S. 18:1511.4. Please submit a check or money order in the amount of \$40 payable to the Treasurer of the State of Louisiana to P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821. **Please note that late fees can only be paid by the candidate or by his campaign.**

You have 20 days from receipt of this letter to dispute this assessment. You may elect to do either or both of the following:

1. You may submit your request for a waiver to the attention of the Louisiana Board of Ethics.

Waivers are handled by the Ethics Board. The Board of Ethics may reduce, suspend, or decline to waive a late fee assessment based on the cause shown by the person, candidate, or political committee. If you submit a request for a waiver of the late fee to the Board of Ethics, your request should contain details as to why, in your opinion, you have good cause why your report was not timely filed. Also, if you would like to appear before the Board of Ethics in connection with your request, you should state that in your letter. The request should be submitted to the attention of the Board of Ethics at the following address: P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 or fax at (225) 381-7271.

2. You may appeal the assessment directly to the Ethics Adjudicatory Board (EAB).

Appeals to the EAB are proceedings before a three judge panel. The determination is made regarding whether the person, candidate, or political committee was required to file the report and whether the report was filed late. **Mitigating factors are not considered during an EAB proceeding. The EAB does not have the authority to reduce, suspend, or waive a late fee assessment.** If you choose to appeal the assessment to the EAB, you should submit your request for an appeal to the attention of the Executive Secretary of the Louisiana Board of Ethics at P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 or fax at (225) 381-7271.

If you timely submit a waiver request or appeal, your name will not be posted on the website pending the result of your appeal. Furthermore, if you request an appearance, you will be notified of the place and time prior to the meeting.

If you do not pay or dispute the assessment of the late fee within 20 days from the receipt of this letter, the matter will be forwarded to the Attorney General's Office to pursue collection. If the matter is forwarded to the Attorney General's Office for collection, you may be responsible for all additional costs incurred. Additionally, late fees not paid by the due date will be posted on the agency website.

You should be aware that unpaid campaign finance fines, fees or penalties may have an adverse effect on your ability to run for public office in the future, as the Board of Ethics will object to your future qualifications for candidacy for public office pursuant to La. R.S. 18:491 and R.S. 18:492.

Sincerely,

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS

Melissa Horn

STATE OF LOUISIANA LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS
acting in its capacity as the
SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE ON CAMPAIGN FINANCE DISCLOSURE

In Re: Betty Alford-Olive
March 20, 2021 Election

LATE FEE ASSESSMENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Betty Alford-Olive, in her capacity as a candidate for Mayor, City of Bastrop in the March 20, 2021 election was required to file campaign finance reports pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1484.

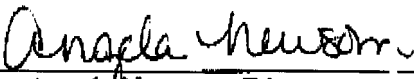
WHEREAS, La. R.S. 18:1505.1 provides that it is a violation of the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act to fail to timely file campaign finance reports.

WHEREAS, in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1532, Betty Alford-Olive was required to file an Election Day Expenditures Report related to the primary election (EDE-P) by March 30, 2021. Betty Alford-Olive filed the report on March 31, 2021 and was 1 day late.

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(2)(a)(iii) provides that an automatic late fee of \$40 per day (not to exceed \$1,000) be assessed against Betty Alford-Olive for this late filing.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED that a late fee of \$40 is assessed against Betty Alford-Olive for failure to timely file her campaign finance disclosure report.

ORDER signed on the 20th day of May 2021 at Baton Rouge, Louisiana



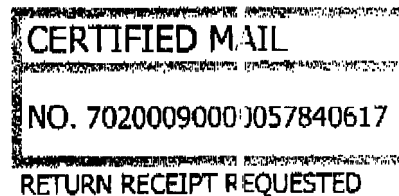
Angela Newsom, Director
Campaign Finance & Lobbying Division



STATE OF LOUISIANA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE CIVIL SERVICE
LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS
P. O. BOX 4368
BATON ROUGE, LA 70821
(225) 219-5600
FAX: (225) 381-7271
1-800 642-6630
www.ethics.la.gov

May 20, 2021

Betty Alford-Oliver
1402 Bowman St.
Bastrop, LA 71220-5606



RE: Late fee assessment for the March 20, 2021 Election
10-G Campaign Finance Disclosure Report filed 1 day late

Dear Betty Alford Oliver:

Enclosed is an assessment of a late fee pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1505.4 and La. R.S. 18:1511.4.1. Please submit a check or money order in the amount of \$40 payable to the Treasurer of the State of Louisiana to P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821. **Please note that late fees can only be paid by the candidate or by his campaign.**

You have 20 days from receipt of this letter to dispute this assessment. You may elect to do either or both of the following:

1. You may submit your request for a waiver to the attention of the Louisiana Board of Ethics.

Waivers are handled by the Ethics Board. The Board of Ethics may reduce, suspend, or decline to waive a late fee assessment based on the cause shown by the person, candidate, or political committee. If you submit a request for a waiver of the late fee to the Board of Ethics, your request should contain details as to why, in your opinion, you have good cause why your report was not timely filed. Also, if you would like to appear before the Board of Ethics in connection with your request, you should state that in your letter. The request should be submitted to the attention of the Board of Ethics at the following address: P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 or fax at (225) 381-7271.

2. You may appeal the assessment directly to the Ethics Adjudicatory Board (EAB).

Appeals to the EAB are proceedings before a three judge panel. The determination is made regarding whether the person, candidate, or political committee was required to file the report and whether the report was filed late. **Mitigating factors are not considered during an EAB proceeding. The EAB does not have the authority to reduce, suspend, or waive a late fee assessment.** If you choose to appeal the assessment to the EAB, you should submit your request for an appeal to the attention of the Executive Secretary of the Louisiana Board of Ethics at P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 or fax at (225) 381-7271.

If you timely submit a waiver request or appeal, your name will not be posted on the website pending the result of your appeal. Furthermore, if you request an appearance, you will be notified of the place and time prior to the meeting.

If you do not pay or dispute the assessment of the late fee within 20 days from the receipt of this letter, the matter will be forwarded to the Attorney General's Office to pursue collection. If the matter is forwarded to the Attorney General's Office for collection, you may be responsible for all additional costs incurred. Additionally, late fees not paid by the due date will be posted on the agency website.

You should be aware that unpaid campaign finance fines, fees or penalties may have an adverse effect on your ability to run for public office in the future, as the Board of Ethics will object to your future qualifications for candidacy for public office pursuant to La. R.S. 18:491 and R.S. 18:492.

Sincerely,

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS

Melissa Horn

Fax Received 17:34:54 2021-06-03

STATE OF LOUISIANA LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS
acting in its capacity as the
SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE ON CAMPAIGN FINANCE DISCLOSURE

In Re: Betty Alford-Olive
 March 20, 2021 Election

LATE FEE ASSESSMENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Betty Alford-Olive, in her capacity as a candidate for Mayor, City of Bastrop in the March 20, 2021 election was required to file campaign finance reports pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1484.

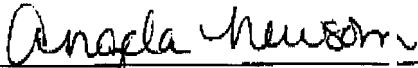
WHEREAS, La. R.S. 18:1505.1 provides that it is a violation of the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act to fail to timely file campaign finance reports.

WHEREAS, in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1495.4B(5), Betty Alford-Olive was required to file a 10th Day Prior to General Report (10-G) by April 14, 2021. Betty Alford-Olive filed the report on April 15, 2021 and was 1 day late.

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(2)(a)(iii) provides that an automatic late fee of \$40 per day (not to exceed \$1,000) be assessed against Betty Alford-Olive for this late filing.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED that a late fee of \$40 is assessed against Betty Alford-Olive for failure to timely file her campaign finance disclosure report.

ORDER signed on the 20th day of May 2021 at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.



Angela Newsom, Director
Campaign Finance & Lobbying Division



Unknown @Port 9100

06/03/2021 5:26 PM

Start Page

Xerox® VersaLink™ B405DN Multifunction Printer